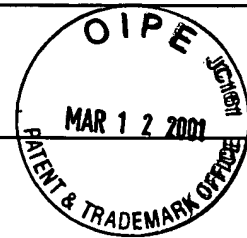


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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
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Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed November 9, 2001, for which a response period expiring on February 9, 2001, was set. The extended period expires on March 9, 2001.

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 extension fee of \$ 55.00 (small entity) to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

2. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

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